

State of Louisiana

Department of Health and Hospitals Bureau of Health Services Financing

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Mr. Norm Nichols Executive Account Manager Molina Medicaid Solutions P. O. Box 3396 Baton Rouge, LA 70821

Re: Acceptance of Electronic Signatures for Prior Authorization and Pre-certification.

Dear Mr. Nichols:

Please include the following message on the next two weeks remittance advices and the forthcoming issue of the Provider Update:

ATTENTION ALL PROVIDERS

Effective immediately, electronic signatures from prescribing providers for all Prior Authorization and Pre Certification requests will be accepted. Such Prior Authorization or Pre Certification requests will not be denied if the signature from the prescribing provider is in electronic format rather than an original signature. This also applies to any other type of provider that may be required to sign a document for Prior Authorization or Pre Certification. For purposes of Prior Authorization and Pre Certification, an electronic signature is a computer generated signature with the computer generated statement "signature on file" and/or a copy of the physician's actual signature electronically appended thereto.

If you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please feel free to contact Rene' Huff at 225-342-3935. Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely

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Medicaid Deputy Director

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